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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated 29 September 2005, this application has been amended as indicated below. This reply is timely, but requires a claim fee.

The present amendment introduces one independent claim beyond 6 independent claims previously paid for. The claim fee is \$200. The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$200 (and any unaccounted fee(s), such as for extension of time, excess claim fees, etc.) required to maintain pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 18-2056.

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